

--- “Series of 1883” - Thirty-five Pounds - Green - COUPON Stamps ---

Chris Ryan in the “Canadian Revenue Newsletter”, No. 41, of March 2003, reports that the thirty-five pound stamp was not added to the 1883 coupon stamps until 1885. Thus probably there are no *block wmkd* thirty-five pound 1883 ‘Coupon’ stamps. Since 1,000 copies (10 books) were ‘delivered’ under the **3rd BABN Contract** it is possible that *block wmkd* stamps may exist.

The catalogue lists the recess printed thirty-five pound, green, “Series of 1883” COUPON stamps as follows:

RM-282 - 35 pounds, green, perf 12, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm. blue controls,
long wreath - with nine ½ pound coupons and an **188_** stub

RM-284 - 35 pounds, green, perf 12, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 5 mm. blue controls,
short wreath - with nine ½ pound coupons and an **189_** stub

3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886)	John McKay records as ‘delivered’ 1,000 copies of “35 lb., Green, Coupon” stamps; printed by hand press.
4th BABN Contract (1886-1892)	John McKay records as ‘delivered’ 8,925 copies of “35 lb., Green, Coupon” stamps; printed by hand press.
5th BABN Contract (1892-1897)	John McKay records as ‘delivered’ 32,325 copies of “35 lb., Green, Coupon” stamps; printed by hand press.
5th BABN Supplement (1897-1898)	John McKay records as ‘delivered’ 550 copies of “35 lb., Green, Coupon” stamps; printed by hand press.

These latter stamps had been printed under the **5th BABN Contract** and remained in stock when BABN lost the printing contract to ABN in 1897. By mutual agreement they were available to the Department while ABN worked ‘up-to-speed’ with the die preparation and the printing of the “Series of 1897”.

--- The “theoretical” control number range on the 35 pound green Coupon stamp ---

3rd BABN Contract	1,000	- 000001 to 001000
4th BABN Contract	8,925	- 001001 to 009925
5th BABN Contract	32,325	- 009926 to 042250
5th BABN Supplement	<u>550</u>	- 042251 to 042800
	42,800	

--- The “actual” control number range on the 35 pound green Coupon stamp, as recorded to date ---

35 pounds, green, perf 12, on <i>unwmkd</i> wove - 4 mm. controls	- 016004 to 016013
35 pounds, green, perf 12, on <i>unwmkd</i> wove - <u>5 mm.</u> controls	- 030021 to 030986

The collection *does not contain* a copy of as ‘delivered’ under the **3rd BABN Contract**. It is possible that the initial copies were printed on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove paper. **WANTED!**

--- With the *long wreath* around the Queen's portrait - scanned at 200% scale ---



--- The “theoretical” control number range on this 35 pound green Coupon stamp ---

- 000001 to 001000

No. _____

3.5 LBS. TOBACCO STAMP

with ten 1 lb. coupons

ISSUED TO _____

Factory No. _____

Division No. _____

Date _____

10	Manuf'd	45 LBS.	Tobacco.	10
9	Manuf'd	44 LBS.	Tobacco.	9
8	Manuf'd	43 LBS.	Tobacco.	8
7	Manuf'd	42 LBS.	Tobacco.	7
6	Manuf'd	41 LBS.	Tobacco.	6
5	Manuf'd	40 LBS.	Tobacco.	5
4	Manuf'd	39 LBS.	Tobacco.	4
3	Manuf'd	38 LBS.	Tobacco.	3
2	Manuf'd	37 LBS.	Tobacco.	2
1	Manuf'd	36 LBS.	Tobacco.	1

188

★**RM-282n** - 35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWCS, without control numbering,
on *unwmkd* wove with a distinct horizontal mesh wove
with ten 1 pound coupons and an **188** stub - *two copies* - ★ one without the stub

--- Recess printed in Montreal on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm. Gothic violet controls ---

All of the stamps bearing 4 mm. Gothic *violet control numbers* seem to come from the “Series of 1883”. In a similar parallel, all of the stamps with 5 mm. Roman light blue controls seem to come from the “Series of 1880-81”. I feel that these were prepared by BABN for Philatelic Exhibitions in 1880-81, and in the mid-1880’s. Some examples are found on *block wmkd* paper which indicates that they date from 1883-84.

There are a couple dozen examples in the collection most of which came from the “Ferrari” collection purchased from Erling van Dam. None of the other stamps in the “Ferrari” collection dated from later than 1900. This particular stamp, illustrated below, was purchased from Betty Walther, a retired collector in Fairfield, California - who is a friend of Fritz Angst.

It is also possible that these *violet control numbered* stamps were prepared as “presentation” sets for prominent philatelists of the era.



★ 35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, with 4 mm. Gothic purple control **0944**, on *unwmkd* wove with a distinct horizontal mesh, with ten 1 pound coupons

This is the *only* example of the 35 pound Coupon stamp that I have found that uses *violet control numbers*. Once again it (and the blue 100 pound stamp) originated from a collector located in Northern California. The 35 and 100 pound stamps were introduced in 1885. Were these two green stamps late additions to a “presentation” set, or were they from a philatelic exhibition on the west-coast?

--- RM-282 - Thirty-five Pounds - “Series of 1883” - Green - 4th BABN Contract - 1886-92 ---

--- Recess printed in Montreal on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm. blue control numbering ---

--- Perforated 12 - 115 x 62 mm. plus ten 1 pound coupons, and an *188_* stub - scanned at 70% scale ---

--- With the *long wreath* around the Queen’s portrait ---

The catalogue lists this recess printed thirty-five pound, green, “Series of 1883” COUPON stamp as follows:

RM-282 - 35 pounds, green, perf 12, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm. blue controls, *long wreath* - with nine ½ pound coupons and an *188_* stub

--- The “theoretical” control number range on this 35 pound green Coupon stamp ---

4th BABN Contract

8,925

- **001001** to **009925**

In 1887, under the terms of the **4th BABN Contract**, the company returned production to Ottawa. The collection *does not contain* a copy of **RM-282** as ‘delivered’ under the **4th BABN Contract**. These stamps had been printed and control numbered in Montreal, prior to this return. **WANTED!**

--- RM-282 - Thirty-five Pounds - "Series of 1883" - Green - 5th BABN Contract - 1892-97 ---

--- Recess printed in Montreal on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm. blue control numbering ---

--- Perforated 12 - 115 x 62 mm. plus ten 1 pound coupons, and an 188 stub - scanned at 70% scale ---

--- With the *long wreath* around the Queen's portrait ---

The catalogue lists this recess printed thirty-five pound, green, “Series of 1883” COUPON stamp as follows:

RM-282 - 35 pounds, green, perf 12, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 4 mm. blue controls, *long wreath* - with nine ½ pound coupons and an **188** stub

--- The “theoretical” control number range on this 35 pound green Coupon stamp ---

5th BABN Contract

32,325

- 009926 to 042250

--- The “actual” control number range on this 35 pound green Coupon stamp, as recorded to date ---

35 pounds, green, perf 12, on *unwmkd* wove - 4 mm. blue controls

- **016004** to **016013**



★**RM-282 CP** - 35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWCS, with 4 mm. blue control number **016007**, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, with ten 1 pound coupons and an **188** stub - stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. Gothic

016004	RM-282 CP	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, with ten 1 lb., coupons - stamped CANCELLED
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016005★	RM-282	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
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016007★ RM-282 CP 35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWCS, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, with ten 1 lb., coupons and an **188** stub - stamped **CANCELLED**

016013★ RM-282 CP 35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove,
with ten 1 lb., coupons - stamped **CANCELLED**

These stamps had been printed, and given their 4 mm. control numbers in Montreal prior to 1887 (when the company returned production to Ottawa) but were not 'delivered' until after 1892 the **5th BABN Contract** had taken effect.

--- RM-284 - Thirty-five Pounds - “Series of 1883” - Green - 5th BABN Contract - 1892-97 ---

--- Recess printed in Ottawa on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 5 mm. blue control numbering ---

--- Perforated 12 - 115 x 62 mm. plus ten 1 pound coupons, and an *189*_ stub - scanned at 70% scale ---

--- With the *short wreath* around the Queen’s portrait - scanned at 200% scale ---



The catalogue lists this recess printed thirty-five pound, green, “Series of 1883” COUPON stamp as follows:

RM-284 - 35 pounds, green, perf 12, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - with 5 mm. blue controls,
short wreath -with nine ½ pound coupons and an *189*_ stub

--- The “theoretical” control number range on this 35 pound green Coupon stamp ---

5th BABN Contract

32,325

- 009926 to 042250

--- The “actual” control number range on this 35 pound green Coupon stamp, as recorded to date ---

35 pounds, green, perf 12, on *unwmkd* wove - 5 mm. blue controls

- 030021 to 030986



★**RM-284** - 35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWCS, with 5 mm. blue control number **030449**,
on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, with ten 1 pound coupons and an *189*_ stub

030021	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on <i>unwmkd</i> horizontal mesh wove
030031	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWCS, on <i>unwmkd</i> horizontal mesh wove, with ten 1 pound coupons and an <i>189</i> _ stub
030037	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWCS, on <i>unwmkd</i> horizontal mesh wove, with ten 1 pound coupons and an <i>189</i> _ stub
030146	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on <i>unwmkd</i> horizontal mesh wove
030180	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on <i>unwmkd</i> horizontal mesh wove
030190	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on <i>unwmkd</i> horizontal mesh wove
030197	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on <i>unwmkd</i> horizontal mesh wove

030199	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030202	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030221	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030243	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030278	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWCS, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, with ten 1 pound coupons and an 189 _ stub
030279	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWCS, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, with ten 1 pound coupons and an 189 _ stub
030289	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030312 ★	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030349	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030373	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030387	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030391	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030402 ★	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030403	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030449 ★	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWCS, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, with ten 1 pound coupons and an 189 _ stub
030457	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030461	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030491	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030494	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030509	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030523	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030528	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030655	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030670	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030681	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030827	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030827	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030841	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030861	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030885	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030889	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030893	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030905	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030945	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030973	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove
030986	RM-284	35 pounds, green, perf 12, CWC, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove

The collection *does not contain* a copy of **RM-284** as ‘delivered’ under the **5th ABN Supplement**. **WANTED!**

--- The “theoretical” control number range on the 35 pound green Coupon stamp ---

5th ABN Supplement (1897-98)

550

- **042251** to **042800**

These final copies, were actually printed under the **5th BABN Contract**, and had remained in stock when BABN lost the printing contract to ABN in 1897. By mutual agreement they were available to the Inland Revenue Department while ABN worked ‘up-to-speed’ with the die preparation and the printing of the “Series of 1897”.

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